

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

No. 4:15-CR-6006-SMJ

Plaintiff,

V.

FRANCISCO SANCHEZ-HINOJOSA.

Defendant.

ORDER ADOPTING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION, SETTING SENTENCING, AND ESTABLISHING SENTENCING BRIEFING SCHEDULE

Before the Court is Magistrate Judge Hutton's May 22, 2015 Report and Recommendation, ECF No. 51, recommending that the Court finds Defendant's plea of guilty was knowing, intelligent, and voluntary and is not induced by fear, coercion, or ignorance. No objections have been filed.

After reviewing the Report and Recommendation and relevant authorities, the Court finds the Magistrate Judge's findings are correct. Therefore, the Court adopts the Report and Recommendation in its entirety.

However, acceptance of the Rule 11(c)(1)(C) plea agreement is deferred until sentencing when the Court will have the benefit of a Presentence Investigation Report.

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1 Accordingly, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

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3 1. The Report and Recommendation, **ECF No. 51**, is **ADOPTED** in its

4 entirety.

5 2. The Court finds that Defendant's guilty plea to Count 1 of the

6 Superseding Indictment, ECF No. 31, is knowing, intelligent, and

7 voluntary and is not induced by fear, coercion, or ignorance. The

8 Court finds this plea is given with the knowledge of the charged

9 crime, the essential elements of the charged crime, the Government's

10 evidence of the charged crime, and the consequences of pleading

11 guilty. The Court further finds that the facts admitted to by Defendant

12 in open court constitute the essential elements of the crime charged.

13 3. Defendant's guilty plea to Count 1 is **ACCEPTED**.

14 4. All pending motions are **DENIED AS MOOT**.

15 5. The trial date is **STRICKEN**.

16 6. In the event an Order is entered permitting withdrawal of the guilty

17 plea, Speedy Trial Act time will be calculated consistent with 18

18 U.S.C. § 3161(i).

19 7. The date of the sentencing is **Thursday, September 10, 2015**, at

20 **10:30 AM** in **RICHLAND**.

1 8. If a sentence of incarceration is imposed, Defendant shall be placed
2 in custody at the time of sentencing. Sentencing will be scheduled
3 for a total of forty-five (45) minutes. If it is believed that the
4 sentencing hearing will last longer, counsel shall contact Chambers
5 within fourteen (14) days of disclosure of the presentence
6 investigation report. Pending sentencing, Defendant's detention
7 status or release status shall remain pursuant to this court's previous
8 order. The United States Probation Office shall prepare a timely
9 presentence investigation report that will comply with the following
10 schedule:

11 1. Not less than **thirty-five (35) days** prior to the sentencing
12 hearing, the probation officer shall disclose the pre-sentence
13 investigation report to the Defendant, counsel for Defendant,
14 and the Government.

15 2. Within **fourteen (14) days** of the disclosure of the pre-
16 sentence investigation report, counsel shall communicate in
17 writing to the probation office any objections they may have as
18 to factual errors or omissions; sentencing classifications;
19 sentencing guideline ranges; and policy statements contained
20 in or omitted from the report. Such communication may be

oral initially but shall immediately be confirmed in writing to the probation officer and opposing counsel.

3. Also within **fourteen (14) days** of disclosure of the presentence investigation report, counsel shall file and serve all motions and memoranda pertaining to Defendant's sentence, including motions for downward or upward departures. Counsel shall utilize the following format when preparing initial memoranda which are limited to twenty pages (absent prior Court permission to file an overlength brief): I. Base Offense Level & Enhancements, II. Departures, III. 18 U.S.C. 3553(a). Under the "Base Offense Level & Enhancements" section, counsel shall discuss whether the PSIR's Total Offense Level calculations (not including departures) are correct or incorrect, providing legal authority for the party's position. Under the "Departure" section, counsel shall discuss whether a downward and/or upward departure is warranted under the Guidelines and provide legal authority for such position. Under the "18 U.S.C. 3553(a)" section, counsel shall discuss whether the resulting guideline range provides a reasonable sentence sufficient, but not greater than necessary, to comply

1 with the purposes set forth in 18 U.S.C. 3553(a)(2),
2 considering the other factors listed in 3553(a). The parties are
3 limited to one reply of no more than 7 pages. No other
4 pleadings are allowed without advance permission of the
5 Court. **FAILURE TO FILE AND SERVE A MOTION**
6 **FOR DOWNWARD DEPARTURE WITHIN 14 DAYS OF**
7 **RECEIPT OF THE PRESENTENCE INVESTIGATION**
8 **REPORT WILL BE DEEMED A WAIVER OF THE**
9 **RIGHT TO DO SO.** The time frame for filing and serving
10 responses to such motions shall be governed by Local Criminal
11 Rule 45. Any request with regard to self-reporting shall be
12 made to the probation office at the same time any
13 objections/motions are filed.

14 4. After receiving counsel's objections, the probation officer shall
15 conduct any further investigation and make any revisions to
16 the presentence report that may be necessary. The probation
17 officer may require counsel for both parties to meet with the
18 officer to discuss unresolved factual and legal issues, and
19 counsel shall make themselves available for that purpose.

5. At least **ten (10) days** prior to the date of the sentencing hearing the probation officer shall submit the presentence report to the sentencing judge. The report shall be accompanied by an addendum setting forth any objections counsel may have made, including those that have not been resolved, together with the officer's comments and recommendations thereon. The probation officer shall certify that the contents of the report other than sentencing recommendations, including any revisions or addenda, have been disclosed to counsel for Defendant and the Government, and that the addendum fairly states any remaining objections.
6. Except with regard to any written objection made under subdivision (a), the report of the presentence investigation and computations shall be accepted by the Court as accurate. For good cause shown, however, the court may allow a new objection to be raised at any time before the imposition of sentence. In resolving disputed issues of fact, the court may consider any reliable information presented by the probation officer, Defendant, or the Government.

- 1 7. Nothing in this rule requires the disclosure of any portions of
- 2 the presentence report that are not disclosable under Rule 32 of
- 3 the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.
- 4 8. The presentence report shall be deemed to have been disclosed
- 5 (1) when a copy of the report is physically delivered; or (2) one
- 6 day after the availability of the report for inspection is orally
- 7 communicated; or (3) three days after a copy of the report, or
- 8 notice of its availability is mailed to counsel, whichever date is
- 9 earlier.
- 10 9. Following sentencing, Defendant shall be taken into the
- 11 custody of the United States Marshal Service unless (1)
- 12 Defendant has been released prior to sentencing, (2) Defendant
- 13 specifically requests the opportunity to self-report, and (3)
- 14 Defendant demonstrates that he is a candidate for self-
- 15 reporting. If Defendant requests the opportunity to self-report,
- 16 Defendant must demonstrate the financial ability to travel to a
- 17 facility on the East Coast.

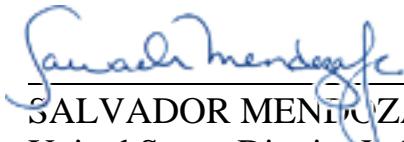
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1 **IT IS SO ORDERED.** The Clerk's Office is directed to enter this order
2 and to provide copies to counsel, the U.S. Probation Office, the U.S. Marshals
3 Service, and Magistrate Judge Hutton.

4 **DATED** this 11th day of June 2015.

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6 SALVADOR MENDEZA, JR.
7 United States District Judge
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